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ceedings of the Academy, from January, 1844, to October, 1845.

From Jacob Tremper, Esq., dated Dresden, N. Y., Jan. 8, 1846, replying to a request from the Corresponding Secretary to endeavor to procure for the Society a copy of the Natural History of the State of New York, and stating the terms upon which it could be obtained.

Mr. Phillips read a paper, intended for publication, describing new fresh-water shells, with observations on *Glandina obtusa*, Pfeif.—specimens of all of which have been presented by him this evening. Referred to the following Committee: Mr. Conrad, Dr. Leidy, and Dr. Morton.

Slated Meeting, January 20, 1846.

VICE PRESIDENT MORTON in the Chair.

DONATIONS TO MUSEUM.

The Curators exhibited a large collection of Quadrupeds and Birds in skin; fishes and reptiles in spirits; insects, plants, fossils and minerals, received in exchange from Mr. J. G. H. Kinberg, of Lund, Sweden.

Mr. Cassin presented two reptiles from Western Africa, presumed to be new.

Specimens of Indusial limestone, or Travertine of Auvergne, with numerous small *Paludinæ* attached to tubes of *Phrygænea*: from Valliere, near Moulins, France. Presented by Richard C. Taylor, Esq.

A communication was read from the Secretary of the American Philosophical Society, dated Dec. 5, 1845, returning acknowledgments for Nos. 10 and 11 of the Proceedings.

Mr. Cassin read a translation of a letter from Mr. Kinberg, dated Lund, Sweden, November, 1845, in relation to the collection received from him and exhibited this evening.

The Chairman read a letter from Mr. Charles Lyell, dated Darien, Georgia, January 8, 1846, requesting permission from

the Academy to take to London for a short period, for further investigation and comparison by Professor Owen, the following fossil specimens from the Brunswick canal, Georgia, presented to the Institution by Mr. J. Hamilton Cooper, of Georgia, viz :

Lower incisor tooth of Hippopotamus ; fragment of same ; fragment, supposed to be that of a Hippopotamus ; tooth of a horse ; *Sus Americanus*, Harlan ; supposed tibia of a *Bos* ; humerus of do.

Meeting for Business, January 27, 1846.

VICE PRESIDENT MORTON in the Chair.

The Society having received several reports, and authorized the Geological Committee to loan Mr. Lyell the fossil specimens referred to in his letter, read at last meeting, proceeded to an election for Standing Committees for the present year, with the following result :

COMMITTEES FOR 1846.

Geological and Mineralogical.

J. Price Wetherill,	Wm. S. Vaux,
S. G. Morton,	Walter R. Johnson,
T. A. Conrad,	Samuel Ashmead,
Theodore F. Moss.	

Zoological.

John S. Phillips,	John Cassin,
Edward Harris,	John K. Townsend,
Wm. S. Zantzinger,	Joseph Leidy,
William Gambel.	

Botanical.

Robert Bridges,	Gavin Watson,
Wm. S. Zantzinger.	Robert Kilvington,
William Gambel.	